

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held April 27, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"Mental illness affects one in five Americans every year, and co-occurrence of mental illness and substance abuse is a significant concern that requires integrated mental health treatment. The County of Los Angeles has made a commitment to community-based systems of mental health care for all residents. Mental health is a fundamental component of general health and indispensable to personal wellbeing, family and interpersonal relationships, and societal interactions.

"The Los Angeles County Mental Health Commission and the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health have joined the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in a focused effort to raise awareness and understanding of mental health and mental illness during the month of May 2004. The Department and Commission will cosponsor the National Association of Mental Illness Walks and the Annual Recognition Awards in May."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board proclaimed May 2004 as "Mental Health Month" throughout Los Angeles County and encouraged employee participation in the National Association of Mental Illness Walk in May.

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